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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**  
**37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- Previously submitted
- Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on n/a. (any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
- Consider the arguments in the appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on n/a.
- Other: n/a.
- Enclosed
- Amendment/Reply
- Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- Other: Form 1449 and copies of 20 references;  
Petition For Extension of Time (one month).

2. Miscellaneous

- Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_.

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3. Fees (RCE fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)

	Claims After Amendment	Claims Previously Paid	Extra Claims	Fees
Basic Fee =				\$ 790.00
Total Claims	37	- 37 =	0 x \$18.00 =	0.00
Independent Claims	5	- 5 =	0 x \$88.00 =	0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (if any) - \$300.00 fee				
Additional Claims Fee				.00
Fee For Extension Of Time				110.00
Other Fees: ( )				
<b>TOTAL FEE:</b>				<b>\$ 900.00</b>

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- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or 1.17 that may be required during the pendency of this application, and to similarly credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 50-0631.

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